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## TOWN DIRECTORY.

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 Methodist Church—Rev. A. Forbes Pastor. Services first Sunday night, and fourth Sunday morning and night. Prayer meeting every Wednesday night. Sunday school every Sunday morning at 10 o'clock. G. H. Graham Superintendent.  
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### PAID KIDNAPERS FOR THE RETURN OF A MILLIONAIRE'S SON.

**Fifteen-Year-Old Heir of Edward Cudahy Abducted by a Gang of Outlaws—The Father of the Young Man Compiles with the Conditions of the Kidnapers for the Return of His Son.**

Omaha, Neb., December 26.—There is rejoicing in the home of Edward Cudahy, the wealthy packing-house owner and capitalist of this city. Edward Cudahy, Jr., who was kidnaped Tuesday evening after being held thirty-six hours for a ransom of \$25,000 in gold, the young man's father unhesitatingly complied with the conditions of the kidnapers, and to-night the boy and his family are receiving congratulations from relatives and friends throughout the country. Statement of the conspirators overheard by the lad while he was in their power, indicates that they had been attempting for a month to secure possession of one of his sisters.

Young Cudahy today related the story of being overpowered, placed in a closed carriage, blindfolded and bound and carried many miles from the city to a place, the location of which he cannot identify, and his father made known the details of a long ride into the country to deposit a bag containing \$25,000 in gold in a place indicated in a letter which was written Wednesday to Mr. Cudahy by the outlaws, naming the condition as a surety for the return of the boy. This sum was to be deposited in a place indicated about five miles north of the city on a lonely road leading up to the bank of the Missouri river.

Mr. Cudahy called in to consult the chief of the police and his friends and discussed plans looking to the capture of the gang when they should make an appearance at the point of rendezvous named in the letter. The great strain on the family, however, caused Mr. Cudahy to abandon all idea of capturing the men in whose power was the life of his son, and decided to comply with all the demands of the bandits. Absolute secrecy was necessary and a trusted messenger was dispatched to the bank to secure the father's ransom. After securing the money he started out entirely alone. To identify himself he had attached to the dashboard of his buggy a red lantern, which was one of the conditions in the letter.

Mr. Cudahy drove to the appointed place where he found near the road a white lantern suspended from a short stake driven in the ground near the river bank. Nobody was in sight. At once alighted, placed the bag of gold conveniently near the stake and returned to the city without hearing a sound. That the bandits were near the spot and at once seized the valuable package cannot be doubted, for about one o'clock this morning the young boy ran breathless up to the door of his father's home and rang the bell for admission. Two policemen, who in the early evening had been placed near the family mansion, had later been sent to the stable by Mr. Cudahy who said that the men seeing the officers would drive away without leaving the boy.

Notwithstanding the entire police and detective force of the city, several hundred of Mr. Cudahy's own men have been searching diligently for a clue looking to the capture of the outlaws ever since the return of the young man, up to 11 o'clock to-night nothing had developed to give the least idea of the identity of the men who perpetrated the crime. Young Cudahy says there were six of the men, but that all were masked.

Chief of Police Donohue said tonight that every effort was being made to bring the abductors to justice; that there were probably three instead of six men; that they had been figuring on it for at least six weeks, and that the police suspect certain parties. He said that Mr. Cudahy exacted but little ransom to prosecute, but tonight Mr. Cudahy announced that he would pay \$25,000 reward for the apprehension of the abductors.

**THE RIVER AND HARBOR BILL.**  
 Washington, December 20.—The House Committee on Rivers and Harbors today completed their bill. The total appropriation for the year, including continuing contracts, amounted to about \$30,000,000. A subcommittee passed a bill for the night to about \$20,000,000. Norfolk, Va., receives \$195,000, and Newport News \$25,000. The big project for Cleveland, Ohio, in the home of Chairman Burton, which was in the bill for \$4,000,000, was reduced to about \$3,000,000. The project for the Southern pass at the mouth of the Mississippi was reduced \$3,000,000. The amount for the Delaware river was cut about half a million. The Spring Channel project for Baltimore, Md., is provided for the bill. The restoration will receive \$1,000,000 for the restoration of its jetties.

**THE SUIT AGAINST THE CASTELLANES.**  
 Paris, December 20.—The suit of Charles Wertheimer, the London bric-a-brac dealer, against Count and Countess Boni de Castellane, to recover payment for art sold but one of the day in the First Civil Chamber. The total sum involved in the transaction shows \$50,000 francs. Count Castellane has filed a counter suit, demanding a full statement of all transactions, claiming that various objects, admittedly authentic, were represented as such by Wertheimer when they were really imitations.

**WON THE PROFESSIONAL BICYCLE RACE.**  
 New York, December 20.—Before a crowd of 5000 persons at Madison Square Garden to-night Frank L. Kramer, of East Orange, N. J., formerly champion of America, won the twenty-five mile professional bicycle race by wheel's length from Bob Walthour, of Atlanta, Ga., who in turn finished a wheel's length in front of Tom Cooper, who captured all but one of the extra prizes. In a mile exhibition race, being motor paced, Harry Elkes, of Glen Falls, broke the world's indoor record, covering the distance in 1:38 1/2 record.

**THE HAZING INQUIRY.**  
 West Point, December 20.—The military court of inquiry into the subject of hazing got through a mass of evidence today. The court expects to have all the evidence concluded by Saturday evening. The name of former Cadet John E. Breth, of Altoona, Pa., who is alleged, died eighteen months ago as a result of brutal hazing at the West Point Military Academy, was associated with that of Oscar L. Boos in the inquiry to-day.

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**Methodist Work in Cuba.**

The Wesleyan Christian Advocate this week has a very interesting letter from Bishop W. A. Candler dated Havana, February 28th.

It gives a report of the work of the Methodist mission in Cuba during the last year. Bishop Candler says: "One year ago we had no property of our own on the island. Now we have a beautiful church at Matanzas and a chapel at Cardenas on land of our own. Both are well located. The increase of members and income from the field has been even more marked. Our church at Matanzas has nearly 150 members, with probationers waiting reception (if found to be proper persons after fuller instruction and larger trial) to bring the total to a figure above 200. The church raised the past year over \$700. The income from church collections and our schools at all our stations on the island amounted to about \$5,100."

Bishop Candler pays a high tribute to the zeal of the Methodist missionaries in Cuba. He says the people hear them gladly and many are touched by what they say. They are reaching all classes.

The bishop has great faith in the possibilities of missionary effort in Cuba. Soon after the cessation of hostilities he went to the island and laid plans for the work which the Episcopal Methodist church is now carrying out there.

He concludes his article with an appeal for aid to the Cuban mission, in which he says: "We must have houses of our own on this field. Rents eat us up. Besides, the quarters we can get at any price are ill suited to our work."

At Matanzas, where we have a commodious church in a central locality, our work is very prosperous. It would be equally successful at the other points if we had as good places of worship at all of them. At Matanzas we need only a parsonage for our preacher to be entirely out of the hands of grasping landlords. We already have a good lot fully paid for. A parsonage costing \$1,500 would save us a costly rental this year. Is there not some man or woman in Georgia who will build that house?"

"We must have in Havana, the capital and commercial metropolis. Our work is handicapped for the lack of it. With what I already have in hand if 1,000 Methodists would give me \$10 each I could purchase a good property. The Methodists of Atlanta alone could give me that much and never miss a luxury for the doing of it. Surely in all Georgia there are 1,000 who will respond without delay."

**Seven Years in Bed.**  
 "Will wonders ever cease?" inquire the friends of Mrs. L. Pease, of Lawrence, Kan. They knew she had been unable to leave her bed in seven years on account of kidney and liver trouble, nervous prostration and general debility; but, "Three bottles of Electric Bitters enabled me to walk," she writes, "and in three months I felt like a new person." Women suffering from Headache, Backache, Nervousness, Sleeplessness, Melancholy, Fainting and Dizzy Spells will find it a priceless blessing. Try it. Satisfaction is guaranteed by C. L. Wilson. Only 50c.

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## A Defalcation in The State Treasury.

Raleigh, N. C., March 14.—A sensation was sprung on the Legislature and the public this afternoon by a message from Governor Aycock announcing that a defalcation was discovered in the State treasury department, in that Major W. H. Martin, institutional clerk under State Treasurer Worth, had "altered" checks and accounts relating to the State's prison funds so that there is an apparent shortage of \$4,000, and that Martin confessed his guilt.

The Governor asked that the Assembly appoint a committee to investigate the matter thoroughly as soon as practicable. Major Martin was arrested this afternoon and committed to jail in default of \$4,000 bond. He waived examination. He told me to night that he was guilty of misappropriating \$3,800, and had spent all of it as living expenses; has no money to retain counsel. His salary was \$1,000 a year. The embezzlement seems confined to the State prison fund. It was discovered by an apparent overdrawn condition of the prison account with the treasury. The prison account claimed a credit of \$4,000. A comparison of accounts revealed misentries and checks tampered with. The biggest change was on November 13, 1900, check for \$1,003 changed to reach \$1,603; the next largest amount was March 3, 1900, when changed check and entries aggregated \$600. Major Martin has no relatives in North Carolina; he came to the State from Pennsylvania at the close of the civil war, a deputy collector of U. S. internal revenue deputy U. S. marshal, and held other positions of trust. He is a prominent Republican and was highly respected.

**Cotton Census.**  
 The first census bulletin of agricultural products has been published. It relates to cotton and the facts it contains are of keen interest to the South.

The census figures are for the cotton crop of the commercial year 1899-1900. The census Bureau got its report not from producers, but from the ginners believing that this was the best method of obtaining full and accurate information. All ginners were required to report the number of pounds and bales of cotton they had ginned of the crop raised in 1899.

They gave figures which show that 9,644,852 commercial pounds or equivalent to 9,335,391 500 pound bales, of that crop were ginned. The figures account for 9,042,931 square bales, averaging 498 pounds, and 504,642 round bales, averaging 260 pounds. It will be seen that the round bale had not made much progress up to June 1900. It was much more largely used in baling the crop of 1900-1901.

The bulletin reports 29,620 cotton gins in operation in the South last year, of which 6,469 are operated for the public only and 29,289 for both the public and the plantation. The Sea Island cotton crop of 1899-1900 amounted to 97,279 bales of the average weight of 338 pounds. The average cost of ginning the Sea Island cotton was \$4 a bale as compared to \$2.03 for ordinary cotton, though the bales of the latter averaged 110 pounds heavier.

The proportion of the crop grown west of the Mississippi river is now much larger than it was ten years ago. The census of 1890 showed it to be 38 per cent and in 1900 it was 45 per cent. The change is due, of course, to the greatly increased production of Texas.

The figures contained in the bulletin were gathered with much care and having come direct from the ginners, who handled every bale of cotton grown, are apt to be more nearly correct than data collected by the usual methods.—Goldsboro Argus.

**A Poor Millionaire.**  
 Lately starved in London because he could not digest his food. Early use of Dr. King's New Life Pills would have saved him. They strengthen the stomach, aid digestion, promote assimilation, improve appetite. Price 25c. Money back if not satisfied. Sold by C. L. Wilson druggist.

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 Everything in this line. Nothing left out. Embroidery, Laces, Braids, Hamburg and Swiss Embroidery and Insertion, Kid Gloves, Corsets, Hosiery, Towels, Damasks, Napkins, Rugs, Carpets, Matting, Bed Spreads, Counterpanes. In Dress Trimming there is a complete stock. Pearl Buttons, Gilt Buttons, Silver Buttons, Silk Parasols, the fanciest and newest styles.  
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**Voluntary Confession.**  
 It becomes evident from a story which is said to have originated in western New York that there are widely varying ideas in existence as to what constitutes voluntary testimony on any subject.  
 "Did I understand you to say that this boy voluntarily confessed his share in the mischief done to the schoolhouse?" asked the judge, addressing the determined looking female parent of a small and dirty boy who was charged with having been concerned in a recent raid upon an unpopular schoolmaster.  
 "Yes, sir, he did," the woman responded. "I just had to persuade him a little, and then he told the whole thing, voluntarily."  
 "How did you persuade him?" inquired the judge.  
 "Well, first I gave him a good licking," said the firm parent, "and then I put him right to bed without any supper, and I took all his clothes away, and told he'd stay in bed till he told me what he'd done, if 'twas the rest of his days, and I should lick him again in the morning. And in less than half an hour, sir, he told me the whole story, voluntarily!"  
 —Youth's Companion.

**A Raging, Roaring Flood.**  
 Washed down a telegraph line which Chas. C. Ellis, of Lisbon, Ia., had to repair. "Standing waist deep in icy water," he writes, "gave me a terrible cold and cough. It grew worse daily. Finally the best doctors in Oakland, Neb., Sioux City and Omaha, said I had Consumption and could not live. Then I began using Dr. King's New Discovery and was positively guaranteed for Coughs, Colds and all Throat and Lung troubles by C. L. Wilson. Price 50c."

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